Metalling of Badiyara-Devidhar Road in Shimla, Himachal Pradesh

†4483. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Badiyara-Devidhar road section in the district Shimla, Himachal Pradesh has not been metalled for the last twenty years;

(b) if so, whether Government have formulated any scheme under the Rural Development Programme to metal the said road; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SUBHASH MAHARIA): (a) to (c) The State Government have reported that work on Badiyara-Devidhar road had commenced in the year 1979 and while a single lane motorable road has been constructed to a length of 10 kilometre, a length of 1.20 kilometre is presently metalled/tarred. No proposal for taking up this road under the PMGSY has, so far, been received from the State Government.

Financial allocations to panchayats and Nagar Palikas

4484. PROF. M. SANKARALINGAM: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the allocations made to Panchayats and Nagar Palikas during the last two years in Tamil Nadu;

(b) whether it is a fact that they are facing financial crunch; and

(c) if so, the steps taken by Government to meet the situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SUBHASH MAHARIA): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.